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TAGS: ETRD, NO
SUBJECT: U.S. CRITICAL OF NORDIC TRADE POLICY--REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE
AND INFORMATION

1. AFTENPOSTEN, NORWAY'S LARGEST, MOST INFLUENTIAL DAILY, CARRIED
ARTICLE MARCH 18 FROM ITS GENEVA CORRESPONDENT LEAD OF WHICH STATED:
"U.S. ATTACKS NORDIC COUNTRIES FOR GIVING UP IN THE FIGHT FOR LIBERAL
WORLD TRADE PRINCIPLES AND FOR CREATING A NEW KIND OF ECONOMIC
MERCANTILE NATIONALISM." ARTICLE QUOTES A "HIGH-RANKING AMERICAN
GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE" WHO "DID NOT WISH TO SPREAD POISON"
BEFORE TAKING OVER A NEW POSITION." ARTICLE SPECIFICALLY REFERS
TO NORDIC FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS WITH EEC AND TO DANISH MEMBERSHIP
IN COMMON MARKET. IT CITES RECENT FINNISH IMPOSITION OF TARIFFS
ON IMPORTS FROM THE U.S. AND OTHER WHILE IMPORTS FROM THE EEC,
EASTERN EUROPE, AND LDCS ARE LARGELY EXEMPTED FROM DUTY AND THE
GRADUAL ELIMINATION BY 1984 OF EEC TARIFFS ON PAPER PRODUCTS
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FROM FINLAND, SWEDEN, AND NORWAY WHILE TARIFFS ARE MAINTAINED
AGAINST THE U.S. AND OTHERS. NORDIC DIPLOMATS ARE REPORTED
TO HAVE REJECTED "THE AMERICAN ATTACKS."

2. COMMENT: ARTICLE COINCIDES WITH INCREASING ADVERSE
PUBLICITY IN NORWAY ON SHIPPING LEGISLATION BEING CONSIDERED
BY CONGRESS WHICH WOULD GIVE U.S. FLAG OIL TANKERS AN IMPORT

PREFERENCE AND DISCRIMINATE AGAINST NORWEGIAN BOTTOMS. WE ARE
THUS PICTURED AS BEING CRITICAL OF NORWEGIAN TRADE POLICY, WHICH
NORWEGIANS STILL CONSIDER LIBERAL, WHILE MOVING TOWARD GREATER
U.S. TRADE RESTRICTIONS WHICH COULD HAVE PROFOUND IMPACT ON
NORWAY.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: MISSION REQUESTED TO SEND FURTHER MATERIAL,
INFORMATION, AND GUIDANCE ON U.S. STATEMENTS AND POSITIONS ON
NORDIC TRADE POLICY AND ON EEC/EFTA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT AND
ITS EFFECTS.
ANDERS

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